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The Alabama legislature is now in session, and stimulated by the Georgia example, a straight prohibition bill to cover the whole State has been introduced. It is not likely pass, but it has the liquor forces badly scared and the sentiment behind it is pretty sure to put all the saloon people on their good behavior.

Editor L'Engle says that the fierce denial of Messrs. Knight and Stovall in the matter of those sensational telegrams is all a bluff and that he has 'em where they can't wiggle. They repeat the denial with emphasis and will institute criminal libel proceedings. It is a simple issue of fact squarely joined and the whole State is eager to see the finish of the controversy.

Says Short Talks in the Times-Union in commenting on a recent paragraph in the Democrat suggesting the reform of the petit jury rather than the abolition of the grand jury:

"The petit jury holds a most responsible position, one which should be solemnly considered by each juror. It stands between the community and anarchy. If the latter misbegotten theory of the relations between man and man prevailed the courts and petit juries would be superseded by the passions and appetites of man. Many riots, which are generally outbreaks of anarchy, have been engendered by failures of petit juries to give due weight to the duties incumbent on them."

We extend congratulations to the esteemed Waycross (Ga.) Evening Herald upon its wonderful industrial edition, a copy of which has just reached us. It is a mammoth affair of 116 pages in magazine form, and gives such a description of Waycross, her people and her industries as will be a glorious advertisement of that enterprising little city if it shall be well circulated over the country. It is profusely illustrated with excellent pictures of leading citizens, streets, business houses, industrial plants and private residences, and the stranger going through its pages will not doubt that Waycross is a fine little city full of high-class people and with a large future before it.

Henry Watterson always says it better than anybody else. On the much-discussed question of Mr. Roosevelt taking the nomination of his party for President next year, he turns loose this paragraph that has more convincing power in it than anything else that has been said on the subject:

"The president is no fool. He knows that to go back not only upon his word, but upon his friend, and take the nomination himself, would fully confirm the worst charges of the most inveterate of his traducers; that it would put the brand of self-seeking and falsehood upon all his antecedents and pretensions; that it would present him to his countrymen as a detestable and selfish conspirator, aiming after power and power alone; that, in one word and at one fell swoop, the act would destroy both himself and the republican party. It is inconceivable, short of insanity, that Mr. Roosevelt should contemplate it."

THE GOOD OLD KIND.

There are good negroes, bad negroes and indifferent negroes, and the Southern whites from long acquaintance with them can size them up readily and know how to classify them with almost unerring accuracy. Some negroes—they are mostly of the old school, whose moral bent was determined by training and associations of the old South—are peculiarly liked and respected by the Southern people. They brought with them out of servitude the characteristics of integrity, decency, fidelity, kindness and obedience to law, and neither freedom nor the brutal excesses under color of law by a South-hating radicalism which used the negro race as its tool to humiliate and oppress the Southern whites, ever corrupted this class or won them from their friendly relations with their former masters. To these we love to do honor, for they were true as steel in times when evil counsels seduced the great mass of the negroes from us and the whites were living in a nightmare during the days of reconstruction. All of us have known some of this class, and there was a rare and comforting faith and perfect understanding between us which left no room for a negro problem in our relations. The Valdosta Times tells of the passing of one of this kind in the following words:

"Rev. Charles Anderson, probably the oldest negro in this section, and a man universally esteemed by both white and colored, died at his home in this city last night. Rev. Anderson had been a resident of Valdosta since the days of the civil war, and by his wise counsels to the members of his race during reconstruction days, did much to minimize the bitterness that existed between the races during that stormy period. He was the founder and pastor for many years of the Macedonia Baptist church here, and his influence was always on the side of honesty, Christianity and right living. He could and did control the turbulent members of his race in the early days of their freedom when their minds were inflamed by the teachings of northern carpet-baggers, better than any other man, and at that time, as well as in later years, he had the confidence and support of the white people. 'Uncle Charlie,' as he was familiarly known, was nearly ninety years old."

Says the St. Louis Globe-Democrat in speaking of the separate coach laws of the South which the people of Missouri are now considering as good legislation for that State:

"This movement virtually seeks to revive the slave pen mark of humiliation and despised inferiority."

This is, of course, absolutely and flagrantly false, and quite as silly as it is false. These separate coach laws are a necessity in sections where there is a large negro population. There is neither sentiment nor prejudice back of them in the usual acceptance of those words, but the most imperative practical considerations, which decent white people cannot ignore, require such laws and their rigid enforcement. The overwhelming majority of the negroes make no objection whatever to the separate coach, for the segregation it requires has many advantages for them, and beyond an absurd desire for an impossible social equality on the part of a very few, there is no trouble among the negroes about it. If they are not furnished with accommodations equally as good as those given the whites when they pay the same fare, they have their remedy at law against the railroad companies. If the writer of the paragraph in the Globe-Democrat were living down here where negroes are thick and much given to travel, he would draw his pharisaical skirts about him, elevate his hypocritical nose and kick harder than the most select of the natives should he and his wife be cooped up in the same coach with a representative assortment of the negro race every time he took a car ride. As a long range sentimentalist on this issue he is very much of an ass.

REO SCHEDULE

BEGINING JULY 17th.

Leave	Suwannee Springs	6:30 A. M.	Arrive	Live Oak	7:00 A. M.
"	Live Oak	11:30 "	"	Springs	12:00 "
"	Springs	1:00 P. M.	"	Live Oak	1:30 P. M.
"	Live Oak	6:00 "	"	Springs	6:30 "

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At the Baptist Church.

At the prayer meeting of the Baptist church last night, it was decided to organize a "Layman's Missionary Class" for the study of mission fields, missionaries, etc. The first meeting will be held next week and the organization perfected.

The pastor announced that he would preach next Sunday morning on "Justification by Faith." A great many good people go through life with aching hearts lest they shall not at last enter into rest. The promises of God are not strong enough to save them securely—at least they are not sure about it. They have been taught that it was possible to fall away and, of course, must practice it. Is there such a thing taught as "Justification by Faith" in the word of God? If so, the believer in Jesus Christ is secure in Him. How about it? This will be the question at 11 o'clock Sunday, and you are cordially invited.

FOR INSULTING HIS WIFE

One Man Kills Another Who Was Drunk Near Quincy.

Quincy, Fla., July 16.—A farmer near Quincy shot and killed Hiram Allen for allegedly insulting and offering improper proposals to Mrs. Smith. Allen, it is said, was drunk at Smith's house. Smith surrendered to the sheriff.

Card of Thanks.

I wish to express my sincere thanks to friends who so kindly administered help to me during my precious daughter's illness, and death. May the Lord bless them.

MRS. C. F. YOUNG.

Miss Nelms and Mrs. Nelms went to Rixford yesterday on a visit.

Mrs. Horry Hair and baby went to Suwannee Springs yesterday to spend a few days.

Hon. W. J. Hillman, of Live Oak, the well known naval stores operator and one of the leading business men of the State, is in the city and a guest of the Aragon.—Metropolis.

Mrs. C. W. Rogers and baby left yesterday for Darlington, S. C., on an extended visit to relatives and friends.

Hon. J. W. Knight, of Floral City, arrived here yesterday, en route to Tallahassee. He is a member of the Indian War Claims committee, which organized there this morning.

E. J. Ivey, director of the Armour Car Line, with headquarters at Tampa, was in the city yesterday. He was formerly a resident of Live Oak, and expressed surprise at the rapid and substantial growth of the city.

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"Local Overflow."

Our community was shocked this morning to learn that Mrs. Elizabeth Porter had died at 9 o'clock last night, after having been sick for about two weeks, and notwithstanding her advanced years, she being upwards of 80 years of age, it was not surmised that her illness would prove fatal. Mrs. Porter was the mother of Col. Geo. E. Porter, of this city, and she also has another son in Arkansas. She was a lady of noble Christian character, revered by all who knew her, and she will be sorely missed by all. The funeral took place at 3:30 this afternoon. Rev. C. A. Ridley officiating, and the interment was in the city cemetery. G. Potsdamer, funeral director. Mrs. Porter's children and grandchildren were very much devoted to her, and in her declining years everything possible was done to make life pleasant for her, and she lacked for nothing to comfort her. She was a consistent member of the Baptist church and we curtail our remarks, as her pastor, Rev. C. A. Ridley, will in tomorrow's paper give her obituary. Peace to this good old lady's ashes.

Mr. Adams, of Norwood, was here this morning, and told the reporter of a horrible accident that occurred two miles south of Mayo Monday night. Frank Jackson, a prominent white farmer, went out in the afternoon to feed his hogs, that were running wild in the woods. He took with him some corn and a gun. As he failed to return as soon as expected, his wife became alarmed and as soon as it was light enough Tuesday morning, a brother and others formed a searching party, and found Frank Jackson's dead body about a mile from home, with his gun lying on the ground a short distance away, the muzzle pointed away from him. The theory is advanced that, as is well known, wild hogs, if not fed as soon as found in the woods will fight, and that they attacked the deceased and he kept them off of him by punching them with the butt of the gun, and one barrel was exploded, the contents hitting him in the heart. Then the gun would naturally fall in the way it was found with the muzzle from him. The body was carried to his home and a good woman was a widow, and five children fatherless. There was no thought of foul play, as he had no enemies and the cause of his death could not have been otherwise than accidental.

M. B. Wingate, with the Hair Hardware Co., bends sixty penny wire nail double with his hands. We saw him perform the feat this morning and can testify to his ability to do it. He must have wonderful strength in his hands.

Advertise it in The Daily.

Wood Herring, of Luraville, was here yesterday.

Mrs. A. D. Hemming and family have returned from the Park.

C. J. Jenkins went to Bayard yesterday.

Mrs. Lawler visited Suwannee Springs yesterday, returning today.

C. R. Jordan, of Dowling Park, is in the city today.

C. P. Bullard, of White Springs, Fla., is a guest of the Ethel today.

J. O. John and brother, H. P. Wellborn, were here on business yesterday.

J. G. Brown, of Alton, was here yesterday.

Sheriff Rickerson went to Luraville today on business.

Jack Taylor went to Jasper this morning.

S. D. Morrow, a contractor and builder of Madison, was here yesterday on business.

Messrs. Ethel and Georgia Cook and Mary Bothwell returned yesterday from Mayo, where they had a delightful time.

Mrs. H. B. Cross, of Fortson, was here yesterday and left on the evening train, accompanied by Mrs. A. Weaver.

Miss Mary Blume left for Waltham on a visit to friends last evening.

Mrs. Evans, of Tampa, was here yesterday, en route to Tampa via High Springs. She visited friends here for two days.

Manager Groover, of the Long Distance Telephone Line, has returned home, and reports the line working splendidly to Luraville, and but little work is required between this place and Mayo.

Geo. E. Pickett, formerly of Newberry, but who now registers at the Live Oak, is at the Ethel. He recently purchased the Suwannee Mill Company's property, six miles west of the city.

J. J. Abbott and wife, of Jacksonville, accompanied by his mother and sisters from Live Oak, left this morning for Dowling Park to spend some time at that resort.

Mrs. Pert and daughter, Miss Julia, left this morning for Hampton, and points in South Florida on a visit to relatives and friends.

Miss Jessie Skipper returned to her home in Jasper yesterday, after a three days' visit to her brother.